Warren K. Erdman

Member
Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission



Warren K. Erdman was appointed to the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission on October 5, 2022, by Governor Michael L. Parson and currently serves as Commission Chairman. His term expires March 1, 2027.

Erdman is a retired railroad executive with the former Kansas City Southern Railway (KCS), which merged with Canadian Pacific (CP) in 2023 creating Canadian Pacific Kansas City (CPKC). Prior to the merger, Erdman was Executive Vice President-Administration and Corporate Affairs at KCS, which he joined in 1997.

At KCS, he led the company's legal; claims; real estate and industrial development; grade crossing safety; railroad police; federal, state, and local government affairs; and communications departments. He was a member of the company's senior officer staff and had responsibility for matters in the U.S., Mexico, and Panama as well as senior-level involvement in the company's 2023 merger with CP.

At CPKC, he was Executive Advisor – Special Projects to the CEO at CPKC from April 2023 until April 2025.

Prior to joining KCS, Erdman served as chief of staff to U.S. Senator Christopher S. Bond of Missouri. He also served former Governors John Ashcroft in 1985 and Kit Bond in 1981 and 1984.

Erdman is involved in numerous civic organizations. He is a former member of the University of Missouri Board of Curators from 2005 until 2012 and served as Chairman of that board. He is a member of the UMKC Trustees and former Vice Chairman of the UMKC Foundation. He is a former member of the Westminster College Board of Trustees and is also an alum.

Erdman has served on the executive committee and board of directors of the Missouri Chamber of Commerce and Industry, the Missouri Hawthorn Foundation, the Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce, and the Kansas City Downtown Council. He is a former member of the Civic Council of Greater Kansas City.

Erdman and his wife, Jenny, live in Kansas City and are the parents of August and Audrey.